

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/728,106
10 Applicant : Shubha Kadambe
Filed : 12/03/2003
Examiner : Vo, Huyen X
15 Docket No. : HRL132
Customer No. : 28848
20 Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FAST ON-LINE AUTOMATIC
SPEAKER/ENVIRONMENT ADAPTATION FOR SPEECH/SPEAKER RECOGNITION IN
THE PRESENCE OF CHANGING ENVIRONMENTS

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

30 Petition to the Director,

Applicant respectfully requests a Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment under 37
C.F.R. § 1.181(a) for the above referenced application. The application went abandoned because
the USPTO did not receive a timely reply to the Office Action dated 07/31/2007. Applicant
35 submits that a timely Response to the Office Action was mailed to the USPTO on 09/21/2007,
within the three month statutory deadline. The receipt of Applicant's Response by the USPTO is
evidenced by a properly itemized return postcard stamped by the USPTO on 09/26/2007, a copy
of which is attached. Therefore Applicant submits that the abandonment of the application is due
to mishandling of Applicant's Response by the USPTO.

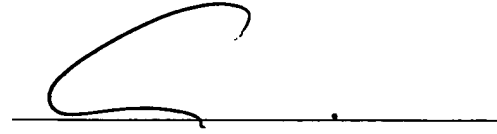
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Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests a Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment.

5 Applicant has also provided a copy of the Response filed on 09/26/2007, and the appropriate filing forms. Applicant requests that the Response be accepted as a timely response to the 07/31/2007 Office Action.

10 In the alternative to the Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment, Applicant has attached the appropriate documents and fee to file a Petition for Revival of an Application Abandoned for Unintentional Delay under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b).

15 Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cary Tope-McKay', is written over a horizontal line.

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